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LOK SABHA

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BUDGETARY OUTLAY FOR SARVA SHIKSHA ABHIYAN
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Planning Commission is reducing the budgetary outlay for Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan(SSA) as reported in the Times of India dated January 11, 2007;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the steps taken/to be taken by the Government in this regard;

(d) whether teaching quality and teachers absenteeism has reduced the effectiveness of SSA; and

(e) if so, the steps taken/to be taken to improve the effectiveness of SSA ?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M.A.A. FATMI)

(a) to (e): As per the Budget proposals presented on 28.02.2007, Rs. 10671 crore has been provided for the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) for the year 2007-08. The BE for SSA in the year 2006-07 was Rs. 11000 Crore.

SSA is being implemented effectively with notable achievements in reduction of out of school children in the 6- 14 years age group. The local bodies in villages and urban areas are increasing playing a major role in supervision of schools including teacher-related issues.